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HOUSE RESOLUTION 381
By Brown

A RESOLUTION to commend the Impact Family Center and its staff for outstanding service to the people of Chattanooga.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause in its deliberations to recognize those outstanding individuals and organizations that strive to improve the lives of the citizens of this State; and

WHEREAS, the Impact Family Center of Chattanooga is one such exemplary organization that utilizes numerous remarkable programs to enhance the lives of Chattanoogaans; and

WHEREAS, in November of 2000, the United Tabernacle Church of God in Christ, in furtherance of their love of people, purchased the building and property of the former A&E Machinery Shop and founded the Impact Family Center; and

WHEREAS, the mission of this benevolent Center is "to meet the needs of children and families by seeking to unify and preserve the family in an effort to share Christ and instill Christian values in the home"; and

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WHEREAS, in addition to providing spiritual guidance to members of the Chattanooga community, the Impact Family Center offers instruction in different methods of dealing with the stress of society and offers viable solutions for dealing with family problems; the Impact Family Center offers family counseling programs, parental education workshops and educational classes on AIDS prevention and drug abuse; and

WHEREAS, the Center also serves as a focal point of education for the Chattanooga community, and encourages adults and children alike to pursue education; the Impact Family Center offers high school equivalency (GED) classes and career counseling services; and

WHEREAS, an extraordinary institution, the Impact Family Center offers tutoring and mentoring programs for children, and also provides an after-school program in which children learn problem-solving skills and how to resolve disputes in a civil manner; and

WHEREAS, most importantly, the Impact Center provides the children of inner city Chattanooga with a sense of security and a sense of belonging; and

WHEREAS, the Volunteers who serve this great Center embody the characteristics and qualities of true Tennesseans and bring honor to our State; and

WHEREAS, our collective future depends on the preservation of time-honored institutions such as family and community; this State is fortunate to have such extraordinary resources as the Impact Family Center caring for, and nurturing, Tennesseans; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we commend the Impact Family Center and its staff for the Center's outstanding service to the people of Chattanooga and we wish them well in all their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

